GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6385
ANSWERED ON:08.05.2002
CONVENING MEETING OF CHIEF MINISTERS
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many Chief Ministers have requested for convening a meeting of State Chief Ministers to work out a common agenda for financial reforms and development;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the specific points on which the consensus of States and Centre is required ; and (

(c) the reaction of the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY O PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER O STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) to (c) : No, Sir. However, in the 49th meeting of the National Development Council (NDC) held on 1st September, 2001, several Chief Ministers emphasised the need to further strengthen the political consensus on reforms. In this meeting it was agreed that a meeting of leaders of all political parties would be convened to work out this consensus and at the top of this agenda are labour reforms and reforms in the power sector.